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EXDIS, FOR LORD FROM HABIB AND BARTHOLOMEW

E.O. 11652: GDS

TAGS:PFOR KS KN OVIP (HENRY A. KISSINGER)

SUBJECT: KOREA PASSAGE IN SECRETARY'S UNGA SPEECH
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1. YOU WILL BE SEEING SEPTEL REPORTING ON NORTH KOREAN DECISION TO WITHDRAW THEIR RESOLUTION ON KOREA QUESTION AS WELL AS CORE GROUP AGREEMENT THAT WE WOULD THEN PROCEED TO WITHDRAW OUR RESOLUTION. NET EFFECT OF THIS WOULD BE TO REMOVE KOREA FROM UNGA AGENDA AND AVOID DEBATE ON KOREAN QUESTION THIS YEAR. WE EXPECT TO HAVE THIS TIED DOWN TOMORROW, SEPTEMBER 21.

2. THIS DEVELOPMENT WILL OBVIOUSLY HAVE SIGNIFICANT EFFECT ON THE SETTING FOR SECRETARY'S SPEECH AS IT RELATES TO KOREA. OVERALL, WE BELIEVE IT WILL BE HIGHLY FAVORABLE ALLOWING US TO EMPHASIZE OUR SUPPORT FOR UNGA AVOIDANCE OF STERILE CONFRONTATION ON KOREA. THIS WOULD ALSO GIVE GREATER PROMINANCE AND IMPORTANCE TO SECRE-
TARY'S COMMENTS, PARTICULARLY AS THEY RELATE TO HIS
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PROPOSED INITIATIVE. HIS INITIATIVE WOULD OBVIOUSLY NOT

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BE INTERPRETED SIMPLY AS A RESPONSE TO UNGA TACTICAL SITUATION AND WOULD FLOW VERY NATURALLY FROM SITUATION IN WHICH UNGA WOULD BE LOOKING FOR USEFUL INITIATIVE TO INVOLVE SOUTH AND NORTH DIRECTLY IN SOLVING THEIR PROBLEMS.

4. AT THIS POINT, WE NEED VERY MUCH YOUR LATEST REDRAFT OF PASSAGE ON KOREA SO WE CAN FACTOR INTO IT SUGGESTED LANGUAGE REFLECTING THESE FAVORABLE UNGA DEVELOPMENTS. FURTHER, IT IS NOW MORE IMPORTANT THAN EVER THAT WE HAVE SOME LANGUAGE WITH REGARD TO THE SECRETARY'S INITIATIVE TO DISCUSS WITH FONMIN PARK. IT WILL BE VERY DIFFICULT TO DISCUSS SECRETARY'S PROPOSED INITIATIVE WITH PARK FURTHER WITHOUT SOME LANGUAGE IN HAND. AND GIVEN UNGA DEVELOPMENTS DO NOT WANT TO LONG DELAY FURTHER DISCUSSION WITH HIM. ROBINSON

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